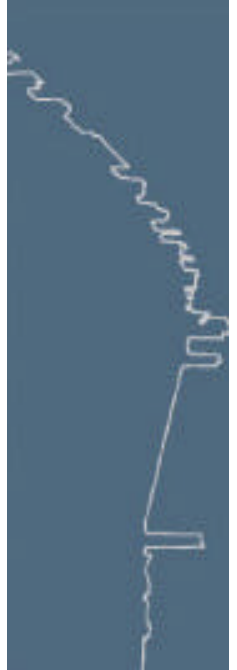


Seattle's Central Waterfront Plan Charrette 2004



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Rees's Pieces



Explore what makes a waterfront a meaningful and fulfilling experience for visitors, residents and workers, while also addressing environmental needs and industrial and transport uses

TEAM 15

Team Narrative

Team 15: Rees's Pieces

Team 15: Rees's Pieces created a vision for the waterfront that is not only meaningful and fulfilling for all visitors, residents and workers, but is also a plan that also addresses commerce, industry and the environment.

Wanting to increase public enjoyment of the site, this team focused on relating the “seam” of the downtown’s built edge to the open, expansive waterfront. Union Steps brings people from the downtown core to the waterfront and creates gathering spaces and an overlook to the water. Existing buildings at the city’s edge will be reoriented to face the waterfront thus creating retail facades along a new boulevard. This tree-lined corridor creates a pedestrian-friendly atmosphere while providing vehicular thru-access.

Team 15 relocated existing waterfront retail, and proposed a 30’-wide promenade for pedestrians and bicyclists to maximize public open space and enhance the waterfront’s views. Existing pier buildings will house neighborhood athletic facilities, while additional ball fields respond to regional recreation needs. To accommodate the influx of new users, Team 15 provided parking below ground, above the tunneled highway. A re-routed trolley along Western Avenue connects Belltown, Pike Place Market and Harbor Steps to the waterfront at Myrtle Edwards Park and Pioneer Square.

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